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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

We look for the friends of this Ledger to keep us posted concerning the progress of the work being done in any part of the county. Our regular correspondents will be furnished with writing paper and stamp for use. Births, deaths, marriages, accidents, amusements, mining and other industrial progress, special topics, new buildings, persons leaving or coming, country news, etc., are welcome. Give details of important items, no matter in how rough a shape. Avoid personal remarks, as these are not wanted. Visits between towns in the county need not be mentioned, but visits from or to places beyond the county may be recorded.

GRAND JURY REPORT.

The report of the grand jury which appears elsewhere in this issue, is the most sensible and business-like document that has been presented by a grand jury in this county for many years. We are free to say that the body that met last week appeared to be actuated by a determination to do something of a practical nature, and they have accomplished that purpose. The report is short; but it is to the point. The topics treated upon are few, but not one suggestion however is out of place, while several are of vital importance to the welfare of the county. We note in this report an entire absence of that fulsome adulation which had become almost stereotyped in such reports. The jury was no doubt hampered by lack of time. Called together on Friday, and with an objection to adjourning over Sunday, it was deemed advisable to get through with their labor Saturday night, and they did so, having an evening session for that purpose. Had it not been for this pressure of time-limit, the disposition of the jury would have probably been to probe county affairs more minutely. As it is, they have unquestionably made a good beginning in the direction of reform. By all odds, the most important suggestion made by the report is the recommendation that persons doing work for the county upon the roads, swear to their own claims, and have them allowed in their own names. The system of proxy affidavits, the lumping of twenty or thirty different claims in the name of the road commissioner, who alone figures in the minutes as the claimant, has been fought by the Ledger for years. It is not sanctioned by law, its tendency is vicious and utterly opposed to public interests. We have no hesitation in saying that if the result of the grand jury meeting is the abolition of this abomination—and it will most assuredly end that way—it will have brought about the most desirable reform that has been accomplished in Amador county for the past twenty years.

The only argument that has been trotted forward in behalf of the discredited system is that it effects a saving in the matter of record books. If road bills are to be presented by the parties actually performing the work, and separately entered in the minutes, it is argued the space in the court house will rapidly fill up with record books. Besides, this lumping of the bills by the supervisor in each district saves considerable clerical labor in entering up the minutes. It is easier to record one bill presented by a supervisor, than twenty or more bills presented by as many different workers on the road. This reasoning is specious, and altogether unsound. If it is good in road matters, it ought to be good in other departments. Why not the superintendent of the hospital lump all the bills against the hospital fund, and draw the money, and pay the same to the different parties entitled thereto. That would be just as legal as the adoption of the system in road matters. Why not the district attorney or the claims undertake to consolidate all the claims against the current expense fund in the same way. The plan would save clerical work, and also economize in record space and stationery. If it is in order to keep the taxpayers in the dark as to the identity of claimants against the road funds, it is equally proper to conceal the personality of the claimants against other funds. The fact is the method is wrong; it is contrary to law, it is demoralizing in its tendency, and no greater service was ever rendered by a grand jury than the recommendation by that body that it be discontinued.

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BRIEF LOCAL NEWS
OF THE WEEKTHE BURBANK TRIAL IN SHASTA.
An Amador County Young Man on Trial
for his Life.

The trial of John Burbank, a young man born and raised in the eastern part of this county, was commenced in the superior court of Shasta county at Redding last Monday. Burbank is accused of the murder of Dora Lemory, also known as Viola Myers and Dora Streuber, in a dance hall at De La Mar on the 15th of July last. After fatally shooting his victim, he turned the weapon upon himself, inflicting a superficial wound on his neck. The Sacramento Bee's special correspondent says of the proceedings on the opening day:

The accused, John Burbank, was dressed up in his best suit of clothes.

He had evidently taken particular pains to make himself presentable. His face was cleanly shaven, and his toilet had been made out with great care.

He looks to be in perfect health, notwithstanding his four months' confinement in jail.

Four women sat within the bar. They were privileged witnesses. Three of them wore the weeds of mourning. Everyone was curious to know who they were. The first lady of the four was Mrs. Dora Lemory, of Oakland, mother of the Dora Lemory who was killed in the De La Mar dance hall by John Burbank. Next to Mrs. Lemory, their elbows touching, sat Mrs. A. H. A. Burbank, of Jackson, Amador county. She is the mother of the prisoner at the bar. She is bowed down by years and grief and pain. She has walked on crutches all her life. She is dressed in mourning, as was Mrs. Lemory. Who can look into the two mothers' hearts and read the emotions there? They attend this trial from different motives—one in her heart-love praying for mercy upon her wayward son, and the other asking that justice may fall upon the slayer of her wayward daughter.

The other two women within the bar are Mrs. Eva Leibhardt and Mrs. Delta Joyce, both of Jackson, Amador county. They are sisters of Burbank.

The list of witnesses subpoenaed on behalf of the defense is a long one and as usual includes a large number of character witnesses. Burbank's parents live in Amador county and from there were called the following: Walter Webster, William Denend, Robert O. McKean and Findlay Goodman, of Volcano; Clarence Bradshaw and Charles Stirneman of Pine Grove, and John Barton, Maurer L. Plasse and Nick Ferari of Jackson.

Judging from the line of questioning addressed to the prospective jurors, Burbank's attorneys will set up the claim that he acted in self-defense in shooting Dora Streuber.

One noticeable feature of the prosecution was that every man in the jury box was asked whether he was a member of any labor union. This is a lesson learned by the Gallanor trial, where the one juror who favored acquittal is said to have been influenced in his decision by the fact that he and the defendant were both labor union men. Burbank, in this instance, is a labor union man.

Surprising progress was made on the first day as the twelve jurors were secured by the time court adjourned for the day.

Contrary to the usual order in criminal trials the testimony of the reputation witnesses was taken first, before the prosecution opened its case. This was done for economy sake. There were eight of these witnesses from Amador county, at a cost of \$30 each. They were examined at the commencement of the trial, paid off, and allowed to depart.

The De La Mar witnesses, who were on the scene directly after the tragedy, and took part in the arrest of the alleged murderer, told facts that were of some importance. They told of how Burbank came down from the upper room where he had fired three death-dealing bullets into the body of Dora Streuber, and used the words: "I have killed her, and I am glad of it. I did a good job on her, and a bun one on myself." After the killing he had fired one shot at himself, but had miserably failed to do good work on himself. Witnesses testified that he said that if it was to do over again he would do the same thing again.

Dora Streuber was the inmate of a dance hall. She had been living with Burbank off and on, and because she would not heed his entreaties and leave the dance hall life to live with him, he is alleged to have taken her life. She lived but four or five minutes after she had been shot, and before dying kissed the lips of the man who had killed her.

It is believed that the case will be given to the jury Thursday evening.

Rainfall.

The storm which was in full blast at the time of going to press last week, continued without abatement during Saturday. The rainfall in Jackson now measures as follows:

Nov. 14.....	1.35
Nov. 19.....	0.60
Nov. 20.....	0.26
Total for month.....	6.38
Total for season.....	6.81
Same period last year.....	5.02

The McLanlass Alabama Warblers will give one of their unique and pleasing entertainments in Love's hall on Saturday evening, Nov. 28. This company is highly spoken of as vocal and comic performers of unequalled merit. A good house should greet their appearance in Jackson. Popular prices.

A curious experience happened at the agricultural experiment station a few weeks ago. Nine sheep of the Persian variety were sent up there. They consisted of two males and seven females. They were kept in two separate pens. One night a lot of green feed was thrown into the pen where the female sheep were kept. Fortunately, the same kind of feed was kept out of the other pen. Next morning all seven sheep were found dead. The fatality is attributed to something in the feed; the two in the other pen were not affected in the least. This mishap settled the scheme to raise the interests of the school will be safe in his hands.

Another related to his rich relative, who had to assist him with means. A bottle of intoxicating liquor was no doubt the cause of his being deserted his connections. He was buried on a day, a subscription being taken up Jackson to defray the expenses of burial.

Additional Locals.

Frozen oysters, 50c per can, at Caminetti's market.

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Geo. McMillan, the photographer, is now fairly settled in his new quarters in Kay's gallery. He has moved into the middle of the room.

J. H. Moore, night boss at the Camp

Seco copper mine, was in Jackson Wednesday, interviewing his many friends in this section.

H. C. Garbarini left Tuesday morning for Camanche, to superintend the repairing of the bridge at that place, and expects to finish by Saturday.

Mrs. Chase Corin, formerly of Jackson, but now of Campo Seco, was in Jackson Wednesday, and left the same day to see friends in Amador. She expects to return home early next week.

Our new line of felt shoes have arrived. Best quality and lowest prices at the Jackson Shoe Store.

We have been requested to announce that the Native Daughters of Ursula Parlor No. 1, Jackson, will give a grand ball on New Year's eve in Love's hall. Full particulars will be announced later.

Nabisco means nobby and sweet cookies and crackers. No meal com-

plete without them. I carry a fresh stock. Phone for a trial package. P. Cassinelli.

The family of H. A. Burbank of Antelope have moved to Jackson to spend the winter. Mrs. Burbank left for Redding early this week, and has not yet returned.

Don't miss seeing our new line of Kingsbury hats. Best hand-made hats in town; latest styles. Jackson Shoe Store.

J. G. Garbarini returned Thursday of last week from Calaveras county, where he has been for two weeks with a crew of men repairing bridges around San Andreas and Angels Camp.

The El Dorado Republican notes the death of P. D. Smith, which occurred in Placerville on Tuesday last. For over 20 years he followed school-teaching in El Dorado and Amador counties. Some years ago he fell down a stairway in a hotel in Jackson, and was thereby rendered an invalid for life.

J. W. Caldwell has moved his law-office to rooms in the Marelia, building over Glavinovich's store. He has also severed connection with W. J. McGee in the law business, and will hereafter practice on his own account exclusively.

On account of ill health and closing my business, all goods less than cost at the White House.

The first of a series of entertainments under the auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist church was given Tuesday evening. It was a success in every sense of the word. The committee who prepared the program did their work well, and from start to finish gave satisfaction. The Ladies' Aid furnished refreshments, which were enjoyed by the large audience present.

Imperial Minstrels Show.

On the occasion of the initial appearance of the Imperial Minstrels of San Andreas before Jackson audience, Love's hall was crowded to the doors last Saturday evening, and that too in spite of the inclement weather that had prevailed for several days. All the reserved seats were disposed of long before the day of the performance, and there were about twice the number of these seats that are usually reserved. The program consisted of minstrels for the first part. There were 15 performers on the stage all decked with ebony frontspieces. The tambourine men were J. C. Tilden and Geo. H. Treat, who were well supported by the bones, J. J. Hally and C. E. Furlong. These were the big four of the show, conspicuous throughout not only from the fact of their being scarlet-coated, but also because the songs and sallies of wit fell mainly to their lot. The witcisms were very good—several were new to a Jackson audience at least—and the coupling of some local business man with a joke occasionally was appreciated by a storm of applause. The rendition of the songs was equal to many of the professionals, and certainly the interest taken thereby by the spectators was far greater, partly owing to the fact that the performers were amateurs, and many of them personally known to the townspeople. Wm. Nunn jr. acted as interlocutor, and filled the bill creditably. The songs presented were as follows:

Just Kiss yourself! Good Bye. — M. G. H. Treat

Down where the Cotton Blossoms do. — Mr. Jarvis Lloyd

Mr. Norman Shut that Door. — Mr. C. E. Furlong

There's Nobody Just Like You. — Mr. Frank Heath

Fade Away I'm Waiting For My Man. — Mr. J. J. Hally

I'll Be Busy All Next Week. — Mr. J. C. Tilden

My Pudding's a Little Bit Quantitive. — Grand Finale, Every Reader Has a Flag

The Coon. — Mr. C. E. Furlong

Messrs. Tilden, Hally, Furlong, Treat and Company

The intermediate medley consisted of the following: "Anona," Jarvis Lloyd; "Shakespeare up to date," W. C. Wall; "He was a Prince," Frank Heath; "Irish comicalities," J. C. Tilden and J. J. Hally; "The Stein," C. E. Furlong; "My Kentucky Babe," Heath, Tilden, Treat and Furlong.

A farce entitled "The Terrible Bruiser," concluded the performance.

The cast of characters was as follows:

"J. J. Jeffreese," J. C. Tilden; "C. Knockemout," C. E. Furlong; E. Z. Graft; "W. C. Wall; "Electricity," G. H. Treat; "Lightning," J. J. Hally.

The financial outcome was not as satisfactory. The expense of conveyance and other necessary cost in transporting nearly 20 performers was of course heavy, but we are pleased to say that such was the interest developed in the appearance of this company from Calaveras county, that the income was about sufficient to defray all liabilities. The receipts we understand were something over \$130.

Labor Trouble at South Eureka.

A strike was inaugurated at the South Eureka mine last Tuesday, resulting in the quitting of the entire force of men—in all between 50 and 60. The strike came about in this way. An accident occurred by which the skip and cable in one compartment were let into the sum. No one was hurt, but the recovery of the runaway skip and cable it was noticed that some kinks appeared in the cable, and the men objected to being lowered in that compartment. Foreman Mount was not present, and the other skip was used for a while. We are told that heavy loads were run up and down the shaft by the tabooed cable to show that it was trustworthy and safe, and to satisfy the scruples of the men on that score. No one will blame the miners for refusing to take any extra risk in descending or ascending a mine, and it is not reasonable to think that any one in charge of a mine would ask them to do so. It appears that one miner was discharged, whether on account of the mishap or not we do not know. Two other employees took up the cause of the discharged man, and they were also informed that their services were no longer required. Thereupon the matter was laid before the miners' union, and a committee waited upon Superintendent Moore to know the cause of their discharge. He declined to satisfy them, claiming the right to discharge an employee without revealing the reason therefor. At this the men are said to have taken the stand that they would not return to work unless the discharged men were reinstated. This brought on the walk-out of the entire force. The superintendent refused to reinstate, and the men decided not to recede from their position. The mine was brought to a standstill. The men were paid off on Tuesday evening; the superintendent at the same time giving them the opportunity of returning to work if they felt so disposed.

The South Eureka has been operating for many years, without any compensation to the stockholders. Assessments have been levied upon the shareholders repeatedly to keep it running. Still, giving employment to between 50 and 60 men, it has cut quite a figure in the business interests of Sutter Creek, and the immediate neighborhood of the works. The community will miss the money put in circulation monthly if the shut-down is prolonged. Some of the stockholders are outspoken in expressing indifference as to whether it resumes operations or not. It is hoped, however, that the matter will be adjusted, and the mine resume, with the old or other employees.

Injured in a Drunken Row.

A man named Feretti Ambrogio was landed in the county jail by Sheriff Norman the latter part of last week. No formal charge has been made against him, for the reason that the outcome of the injuries inflicted upon the victim of his assault is yet in doubt. The affray happened in New Chicago on the 10th instant. It seems that Ambrogio was a miner employed at the Fremont, and that he was discharged a few days prior to the 10th. Salvatore Battaylia was also employed at the same mine, and Ambrogio had an idea that he acted unfriendly toward him. Both men had been indulging in liquor, and a quarrel ensued on the street of New Chicago. The upshot of it was that Ambrogio secured a piece of a wagon tire, some four feet long, and struck Battaylia in the small of the back with this formidable weapon. Whether he struck with the edge or the flat part of the iron we are not informed. At any rate, Battaylia is crippled, but not to the extent that was feared. He was around on crutches for a day or two after the occurrence.

Sheriff Norman and District Attorney Vicini visited New Chicago after the arrest of Ambrogio, and obtained information that put a different phase on the matter. It appeared that Battaylia was the aggressor throughout. He started in to run the mine, or run out the managers, and also clean out the town, because of his discharge. He went to a friend named Bonti in New Chicago and abused him. Ambrogio was standing by, and noticing that Battaylia kept his hand in his coat pocket, and believing that he had a gun told him to take his hand out of his pocket. He failed to do so, and the blow with the iron bar was the result. After an investigation it was found that Battaylia did not have a gun, but had indulged in threats to kill.

Battaylia was arrested, and fined \$50 by Judge Rose. Ambrogio was discharged.

A Handsome Souvenir.

We acknowledge receipt of a handsomely gotten up souvenir of the Preston Reform School. It gives a number of artistic half tone engravings showing the various departments of this school. The pamphlet contains a brief farewell of the retiring superintendent, C. B. Riddick, on the eve of his departure. In this he says that his resignation was entirely voluntary. It was not sent in under pressure, and any statement to the contrary is maliciously false. Mr. Riddick speaks in the highest terms of the officers of the school, who with scarcely an exception gave him their loyal support. He also mentions the uniform kindness of the business community of Ione, and the surrounding country. The only antagonisms created are such as any man in a public position, who is faithful to his trust, must necessarily create. Of his successor, Prof. W. T. Randall, of the University of Southern California, he refers to as a man in every way worthy of the position, and will cheerfully turn over the keys to him knowing that the interests of the school will be safe in his hands.

A farce entitled "The Terrible Bruiser," concluded the performance. The cast of characters was as follows: "J. J. Jeffreese," J. C. Tilden; "C. Knockemout," C. E. Furlong; E. Z. Graft; "W. C. Wall; "Electricity," G. H. Treat; "Lightning," J. J. Hally. The financial outcome was not as satisfactory. The expense of conveyance and other necessary cost in transporting nearly 20 performers was of course heavy, but we are pleased to say that such was the interest developed in the appearance of this company from Calaveras county, that the income was about sufficient to defray all liabilities. The receipts we understand were something over \$130.

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ANOTHER PIONEER DEPARTED.

Thomas Conlon Passes Away.

Thomas Conlon, one of the early settlers of the county, passed to his long rest on Monday evening. His struggle with disease, and the consequent decay of the vital forces, had been long and painful one. For the past two or three years he had been a helpless invalid, and the last few months were spent in bed. He peacefully and painlessly surrendered to the inevitable shortly before midnight last Monday.

Deceased has been a prominent resident of Jackson for the last forty-five years. He was born in County Clare, Ireland, on July 12, 1836. In 1852 he left his native land, and emigrated to the United States. After several years in the eastern states, he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for San Francisco, and after reaching that port lost no time in proceeding to Mokelumne Hill to try his fortune at placer mining. He afterward moved to Butte City and Scottsville, in this county, following mining at each place. At Scottsville he took passage on a steamer bound for

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